

Semaphore Signalling.

By a Signalling Instructor.

This system of Signalling is an adaptation of that used in His Majesty's Navy, in which the letters, numerals, etc., are sent by means of two revolving arms set on a large pillar or stand.

Semaphore is a very useful method of signalling and is easily learnt. The secret of good signalling is to be able to hold your flags at the correct angle. To do so hold them at the full extent of your arms, so that the flag and arms form one straight line. The forefinger should be along the pole and touching the cloth and the butt of the flag stick against your wrist (not up your sleeve).

To make sure of your angles being correct when practising, stand between a light and the wall (facing it and close to it), and the shadow cast on the wall will give you the correct angle. *Don't* practice reading by signalling in front of a mirror.

Now that you have learnt the correct way to hold your flags and know the importance of making correct angles, proceed to learn the alphabet.

With your feet 10 inches apart stand in a well-balanced, easy manner and go through the letters in the diagrams by means of circles.

First Circle—A to G. **A**, **B** and **C** are made with the right hand; **D** with either hand; **E**, **F** and **G** with the left hand. Never bring the arms across the body in making these letters, *e.g.*, don't use the right arm in making **E**, **F** or **G**, or left for **A**, **B** or **C**.































Second Circle—H to N, omitting **J**. Right hand at **A** position, and the left hand moved round.

Third Circle—O to S. Right hand at **B** position, left hand moved round.

Fourth Circle—T, U, Y and ANNUL (or Erase). Right hand at **C** position, left hand moved round.

Fifth Circle—Numeral sign. Alphabetical sign (or **J**) and **V**. Right hand at **D**, left hand moved round.

Semaphore Alphabet.

 A. I.	 B. 2.	 C. 3.	 D. 4.	 E. 5.
 F. 6.	 G. 7.	 H. 8.	 I. 9.	 K. 0.
 L.	 M.	 N.	 O.	 P.
 Q.	 R.	 S.	 T.	 U.
 V.	 ANNUL.	 NUMERAL.	 ALPHABETICAL.	 V.
 W.	 X.	 Z.	 READY	 J. THE SAME AS ALPHABETICAL SIGN.

— AS YOU READ IT. —